

First District PTA Prexies Take Office This Month



INSTALLATION SCENE . . . Mrs. H. E. Carr, left, receives the Torrance Council PTA president's gavel from Mrs. Victor Benard, right, while Mrs. H. C. Turner, past state president of the California Congress of Parents and Teachers and one of the organizers of Walteria PTA, looks on. Mrs. Turner installed Mrs. Carr as president to succeed Mrs. Benard at Wednesday rites which followed a Council breakfast at the Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave. Mrs. Benard is the new Council parliamentarian.



LEADERSHIP . . . Developing future PTA leaders is the program goal of Mrs. Ott Fagnano, who will direct North Torrance Elementary PTA activities during 1953-54. The new president, who lives at 1723 Atkinson Ave., has previously served her group as parent-education chairman, vice-president, and program chairman. She took office formally at last Wednesday's association meeting.

RE-ELECTED . . . for the second term, Mrs. Glenn Blake, 3761 W. 176th St., is the 1953-54 president of Perry School PTA. The leader plans to stress children's activities in the school through the use of color slides during the year. She also desires to promote greater parent understanding of what is being done in the school. Next Thursday is the date of her installation.

MRS. I. O. KASTEN . . . 1222 Acacia Ave., is another PTA president elected for a second term this year. She heads Torrance High School PTA and was installed at last Tuesday's association meeting. During the last year her group sponsored many panels on topics of current interest to parents, teachers, and teenagers. Program plans for the coming year are as yet unannounced.

RIVIERA PTA . . . president for 1953-54, Mrs. Ross Dorset, will be installed at next Wednesday's association meeting. The new leader, who lives at 151 Via Los Altos, Hollywood Riviera, succeeds Mrs. Raymond Hole. She has not yet revealed program plans. During the past year unit work highlights have been the organization of a bicycle club for children and a safety program.

INSTALLED . . . as president of Seaside PTA last Thursday, Mrs. Robert G. Parke has as her goal this year greater community interest in PTA work, and more PTA activities for the entire community. The new school leader makes her home at 5426 Sharpyne Lane, Seaside Ranchos. A series of potluck suppers held to acquaint newcomers with PTA work highlighted activities during the past year.

CITY COUNCIL PTA SEATS NEW LEADERS

Mrs. H. E. Carr, who has served Torrance Elementary PTA as president during the past year, officially took the reins of Torrance Council PTA Wednesday at installation rites following a breakfast at the Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave.

Installed to assist the new president during 1953-54, were the following:

Mesdames Elmer S. Moon, first vice-president; Evar Jansson, second vice-president; Bruce Howey, third vice-president; Raymond Hole, fourth vice-president; W. A. Wright, recording secretary; L. Blumfield, corresponding secretary; Dana Houston, financial secretary; E. W. Ingram, treasurer; Jules Ross, auditor; A. B. Cowie, historian; and Victor Benard, parliamentarian.

Mrs. H. C. Turner of Redondo Beach, past president of the California Congress of Parents and Teachers and one of the organizers of Walteria PTA, conducted the rites.

As an innovation in the presentation of program reports, which also highlighted the breakfast session, the president of each unit in the council gave a resume of her group's action during the current year at National Congress of Parents and Teachers' goals.

Three main points, emphasizing moral and spiritual values for better homes, linking home



NEWEST PTA UNIT . . . in Torrance Council, El Nido, will be lead during 1953-54 by Mrs. P. E. Mellor, 18249 Ashley Ave. As president of the new group, formed early this spring, Mrs. Mellor has as her goal increased membership. This month will be installed at this year's association meeting.



ACTIVITIES . . . of Crenshaw Elementary PTA will be directed in 1953-54 by Mrs. William H. Sidles, 3403 W. 188th St., who was installed at last week's association meeting. During the past year, her association's slate has been highlighted by a series of coffee hours, held for the dual purpose of acquainting members and raising funds for the budget. Program plans this year are as yet unannounced.



MRS. C. F. MALONE . . . who is beginning her second year in PTA work, will lead Fern Ave.-Greenwood PTA during the coming year. The new president, who lives at 809 Patronella Ave., served her unit as corresponding secretary during her first year of PTA participation. Her program will emphasize parent education, and her installation will highlight the next Thursday's association meeting.



WALTERIA PTA . . . President for 1953-54, Mrs. Carl Cramer will emphasize continuation of the Dental Health Program during her term in office. The new leader, who has served as secretary and vice-president of her unit and auditor of Torrance Council, lives at 24430 Ward St. She took office formally at the association meeting last Thursday.



GOOD RELATIONSHIP . . . between school and home is the program goal of Mrs. E. Moffitt, new president of Torrance Elementary PTA. Past PTA offices the new leader has held include third vice-presidency of Torrance Council and first vice-presidency of Torrance Elementary. She lives at 2724 Arlington Ave. and will be installed at the association meeting next Thursday.



MADRONA AVE. PTA . . . now in its second year as an active organization, will be led in 1953-54 by Mrs. Louis Dryer, 2838 Onrado St. The new president, who succeeds Mrs. T. C. Smiley, will be installed at the association meeting next Wednesday. Unit program during her term in office will emphasize more activities for the entire community.

NEIGHBORS PLAN THURSDAY CARD FETE

Pinochle, bunco, 500, canasta, and bridge games will be featured next Tuesday night, May 19, when the Royal Neighbors hold an 8 o'clock card party at the Woman's Clubhouse, 1422 Engracia Ave.

Prizes will be awarded for top scores in each game, and refreshments will be served. In charge of arrangements for the affair will be Mrs. Jessie McCormick.

WSCS Slates Rummage Sale

Clothes for men, women, and children will be featured next Friday and Saturday, May 22 and 23, when all the circles of the Women's Society of Christian Service, Methodist Church, join in sponsoring a rummage sale at the church's women's parlors.

Doors will open at 10 a.m. and close at 5 p.m. both days. Mrs. William S. Hebert, publicity chairman, revealed this week. Chairman for the money-making project is Mrs. William Speck.

Bassinett of Gifts Sets Motif for Stork Shower Feting Mrs. Frank Hunter

A large bassinet trimmed with green and yellow ribbon and piled high with gaily-wrapped gifts for the expected arrival set the motif Thursday evening at a stork shower honoring Mrs. Frank Hunter.

Over 30 friends of the honoree, who already is the mother of two daughters, Denise, 10, and Diane, who will be 12 in July, gathered at the 2716 Eldorado home of Mrs. Harry Williams for the event.

A prize made by Diane went to Mrs. Carl Conry for giving the most correct answers in a game of knowledge about the habits and skills of babies. As an added highlight of the evening, guests joined in guessing the sex, arrival time and weight of the anticipated infant.

White storks topped each individual piece of the yellow-iced cake served by the hostess at the conclusion of the festivities. Pale green jello topped with a deeper green cherry supplemented the cake in carrying out the color motif.

Invited to the "infanticipating" fete were Mesdames C. D. McMeans, Robert Peckham, D. W. Scheas, Phillip Johnson, Carl Conry, L. E. Sanders, Stan Wilner, M. A. Bullock, Delmar Walter, Harold Tracy, Fred Baker, William Cooper, A. T. Eby, George Gray, Chester Held, John Gerster, Charles Clapp, Harry Berco, John Hamm, C. R. Lewis, J. E. Jerrils, R. W. John-

Start Canteen Class Tomorrow

Tomorrow morning at 10 o'clock a new course in canteen work will begin at the Harbor District Red Cross Center, 390 W. Seventh St., San Pedro, Mrs. Gordon Jones, publicity chairman, revealed this week.

All women in the area are being urged to enroll in the new course by Mrs. Virginia Stoddard, new canteen chairman. Anyone wishing transportation to the meeting site may call her at Torrance 3050-M. The class will include 10 hours of instruction. Future meetings will be scheduled at tomorrow's session.

ACCENT ON FLOWERS



ACCENT ON FLOWERS . . . With the rapid approach of the Flower, Art, and Hobby Show as stimulus, members of Torrance Terrace Garden Club, co-sponsors of the city-wide event, studied flower arranging at last Wednesday's meeting. Mrs. Victor Benstead, left, who gave the club "Do's and Don'ts" to follow in preparing floral displays, is shown as she prepares a "good" arrangement, pink and red roses, delicate pink begonia blooms, camellia leaves, and Japanese iris leaves in a gold "pitcher" vase. Assisting her, seated, is Mrs. J. K. McCutcheon. At the right is Mrs. William J. Garity Jr., preparing a display of bright calendulas and violas in a green and gold bowl centered with a maturing figurine. Mrs. Benstead pointed out good and bad points in this and other arrangements done by club members following the business session. Scene of the gathering is the 1311 Acacia Ave. home of Mrs. Maurice Shanahan.

Color World Explored By Churchwomen



Thirty-five members of the L.D.S. Women's Club explored the world of color when they met last Tuesday morning in the social room of the newly-constructed Mormon Church at 220th St. and Cabrillo Ave.

Theme of Mrs. Spencer Greene, presented by Mrs. Spencer Greene, was "The Easy Way To Be Sure About Color Harmony." The speaker, Shirley Harold, color stylist for the Sherwin-Williams Co., showed compatible companion colors and explained how to carry out good color schemes.



CAR WASH . . . Scrubbing away the dust swept onto the car by gusty spring winds are, left to right, Jill Moore, Linda Thistle, and Carol Crist. The three girls are members of Freshman Y-teens, who spent yesterday washing autos at a local service station to raise money to send a delegate to the June 19 YWCA Conference at Asilomar. Also busy yesterday at a bake sale staged for the same purpose were members of the Torrettes; Debutantes will earn their conference money by holding a dance next Friday night. Presidents of the three clubs, and the leader of the Betas, all of whom will be elected next week, will represent Torrance at the annual meet.

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